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Application No.: 10/501,269
Applicants: Francis BRIAND, et al.
Filed Internationally: December 4, 2002
US National: July 9, 2004
Title: Method and installation for laser welding with a N₂/He gas mixture, the N₂/He content being controlled according to the laser power
TC/A.U. Unknown
Examiner: Unknown
Docket No.: Serie 5879
Customer No.: 000040582

TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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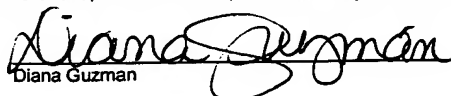

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